

On motion of Mr. Townes, the rule was suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Duggan, Fall, Gentry, Grimes, Guinn, Harman, Herbert, Hyde, Lott, Martin Parsons, Pitts, Potter, Rains. Rainey, Scarborough, Schleicher, Sims, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker and Wallace—26.

NAYS—none.

On motion of Mr. Guinn, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

THURSDAY, January 12th, 1860.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Baker—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Potter, chairman of the committee on Judiciary, made the following reports :

The Judiciary committee have considered a House bill to amend article 791a of the Penal Code, and direct me to return the same to the Senate, and recommend that it do not pass. The object of the bill is to increase the penalty from five hundred to one thousand dollars against the clerks of the county courts for issuing marriage license contrary to law. The committee think the penalty of \$500 entirely sufficient as a preventive, and that further legislation is unnecessary.

The Judiciary committee have considered a bill supplementary to, and amendatory of an act pertaining to the estates of dec'd persons and direct me to return the same to the Senate, and recommend that it do not pass. The object of the bill is to provide for the payment of the chief justice of the several counties out of the State Treasury, for their services, in acting in probate matters. This would make a heavy draught on the State Treasury, without decreasing the charges on estates, for the bill does not propose to limit the compensation of these officers to the amounts proposed to be paid them from the Treasury.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills :

A bill for the relief of G. B. Brownrigg.

A bill to authorize the commissioner of the General Land Office, to introduce the De Rye method of printing and multiplying maps and drawings, &c., or to establish a Photographic Bureau.

A bill to amend the 4th section of an act passed February 13th,

1858, entitled an act amendatory of an act regulating juries, approved 4th May, 1846.

A bill to legalize the marriage of C. B. & M. E. Wood.

A bill for the relief of Lycurgus S. Roberts and James Lehed.

A bill to incorporate the town of Shelbyville.

A bill to incorporate the Texas Telegraph Company.

A bill to incorporate the Galveston Turners' Association.

A bill to incorporate the Galveston Casino.

A bill to incorporate Lodge No. 36 Independent Order of Odd Fellows, located at Clarksville, Red River county, Texas.

And a bill further regulating proceedings in the supreme court.

Mr. Chambers introduced a bill to authorize and require the clerk of the district court of Titus county, to apportion the causes on the docket of said court. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Grimes introduced a bill for the sale of \$305,000 00 United States five per cent Bonds. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to committee on Finance.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill to apportion the Senators and Representatives among the several counties of the State, being the special order.

Mr. Throckmorton moved to make it the special order for Monday the 16th inst.

Mr. Duggan suggested Thursday the 19th inst., which was accepted, upon which Mr. Potter moved a call of the Senate, which was sustained.

A bill for the relief of Michael Herbert. Read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed.

A bill to encourage the publication of a complete digest of the reports of the supreme court. Read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed.

The report of the Judiciary committee on the petition of Louisa C. Hiram, and Grace M. Henrie, recommending its rejection was adopted.

A bill for the relief of the Washington County Railroad Company. Read 2nd time.

Mr. Quinan moved to strike out "an ordinary" and insert "mesne boating." Adopted and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Shepard, the rule was further suspended, bill read 3rd time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Duggan, Fall, Gentry, Grimes, Guinn, Harman, Herbert, Hyde, Parsons, Pitts, Rainey,

Scarborough, Schleicher, Shepard, Sims, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker and Whaley—22.

YAYS—Messrs. Hart, Potter, Quinan and Rains—4.

On motion of Mr. Throckmorton, a bill to provide for the sale of the reservations of land ceded to the United States, for Indian purposes by an act of the Legislature, approved February 6th, 1854, was taken from the table.

Mr. Guinn moved to strike out "\$1,25" and insert "\$1,50." Adopted.

Mr. Throckmorton moved to amend by inserting the following at the end of 8th section :

Nothing in this act, shall be so construed as to interfere with surveys duly made prior to the date of the survey of the reservations. Adopted, and on motion of Mr. Hart, the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Townes, Mr. Gentry was added to the committee on Public Grounds and Public Buildings.

Mr. Townes, from the joint committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, made the following report :

The joint committee on Public Grounds and Buildings instruct me to report the following bills, and recommend their passage, to-wit :

A bill to create the Board of Commissioners of Public Grounds and Buildings.

A bill to amend an act to define the duties of the Secretary of State, passed May 9th, 1846.

And a bill making an appropriation for repairing the capitol and other public buildings, which were severally read 1st time.

Mr. Pitts, by leave, presented the petition of the heirs of R. G. Hamlett and others, for relief. Referred to the committee on the Court of Claims.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate, that the House refused to recede from their amendment to the Senate's bill to amend the 4th section of an act to regulate the license and practice of attorneys and counsellors at laws, and had appointed Messrs. Buckley, Mills, Henderson, Dougherty and Lewis of Montgomery, a committee of conference on the same, and asked a like committee be appointed on the part of the Senate; Messrs. Stockdale, Townes and Schleicher, were appointed such committee. And had passed the Senate's bill to incorporate the Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railroad Company, with an amendment.

And a bill to authorize the formation of county and town Agricultural Societies.

And a bill to change the south boundary line of Smith county.

Mr. Stockdale, chairman of the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The committee on Enrolled Bills, have examined the following bills :

A bill for the relief of James Jennings.

A bill making a further appropriation for furnishing the Governor's Mansion.

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to issue patents upon surveys made not in the form required by law, and reported the same correctly-enrolled, properly signed and this day presented to the Governor.

Mr. Townes, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that the committee had examined a bill appropriating ten thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the expenses incurred by Capt. Tobin's company, and find the same correctly enrolled, duly signed and this day presented to the Governor.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Philip Weppeler, deceased. Read 2nd time and rejected by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Erath, Harman, Pitts, Potter, Scarborough, Schleicher, Throckmorton, Townes and Walker—10.

NAYS—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Duggan, Fall, Grimes, Guinn, Hart, Herbert, Lott, Parsons, Quinan, Rains, Rainey and Sims—14.

A bill to amend the ninth section of the act of May 13th, 1856, defining the duties of district attorneys.

On motion of Mr. Potter, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gentry, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

FRIDAY, January 13th, 1860.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Rev. J. W. Kinney—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Fall, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bill correctly engrossed.

A bill to amend the fourth and eighth sections of an act, defining the duties of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, passed May 11th, 1846.

A bill for the relief of John Frederick.

A bill to incorporate Franklin College.